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Chapter 2

**SCORPION'S  
APPRENTICE**

Part 1 of 2

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THE SHIRAI RYU TEMPLE.

YEARS AGO.

SORRY  
TO DO THIS,  
KID.

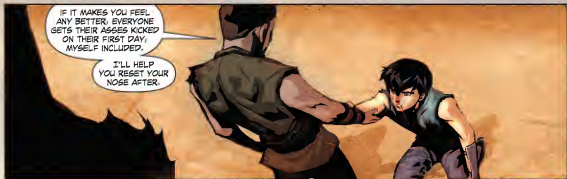
ROUND  
ONE...

STAND YOUR GROUND  
STAND YOUR GROUND  
STAND YOUR GROUND...









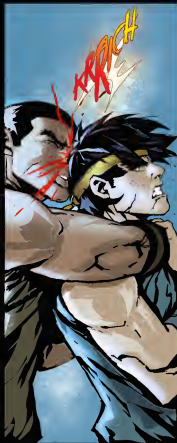
YEARS LATER.

**FIGHT!!**











FINALLY  
GOT ME BACK  
FOR THE  
NOSE.

SUCH A  
BIG TARGET,  
I CAN'T BELIEVE  
IT TOOK ME SO  
LONG.

ARE  
YOU PROUD  
OF LOSING,  
TAKEDA?

NO,  
GRANDMASTER.  
I DID MY  
BEST.

YOUR  
BEST? FEINTING  
INSTEAD OF  
COUNTERING?

BUT  
DID YOU SEE  
HOW FAST  
I WAS?



YOU'RE FASTER  
THAN HIM, THAT'S  
TRUE. BUT INSTEAD OF  
USING THAT ADVANTAGE  
TO STRIKE AT YOUR  
FIRST OPPORTUNITY,  
YOU *PLAYED*  
AROUND.

IF YOU  
WON'T TRAIN LIKE A  
*WARRIOR*, WE'LL CARRY  
YOU INTO THE WILD AND  
LET MOTHER NATURE  
TEST YOUR SURVIVAL  
SKILLS.

OUT  
THERE, PLAYING  
AROUND WILL  
GET YOU  
*KILLED*.

RESPECTFULLY,  
GRANDMASTER, IN  
A SURVIVAL SITUATION,  
I BELIEVE TAKEDA  
WOULD RISE TO THE  
OCCASION.



YES, OF  
COURSE--

CAN  
YOU HEAR  
ME?

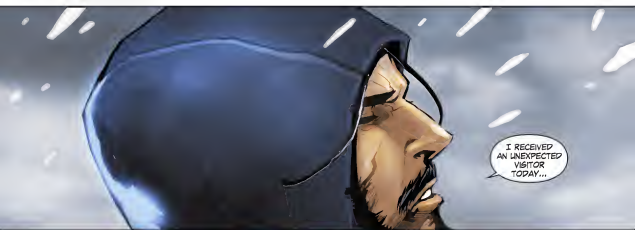
--PROTECT  
HIM...

YES,  
YOU CAN  
HEAR  
ME.

WHO'S  
THAT?

JUST YOUR  
OWN THOUGHTS...  
IN YOUR OWN  
HEAD...

PROTECT  
ME FROM  
WHAT?



I RECEIVED  
AN UNEXPECTED  
VISITOR  
TODAY...



"...UNEXPECTED  
AND UNWELCOME."



**RAIDEN!**

I'M SORRY  
TO INTRUDE,  
HANZO.



YOU  
SAFEGUARDED  
THE DAGGER  
I GAVE YOU.  
GOOD.

DID YOU  
COME HERE  
TO AUDIT  
ME?

NO, I'M  
HERE TO *WARN*  
YOU.

THE NETHERREALM  
INVASION DAMAGED COSMIC  
BARRIERS THAT PROTECT EARTH  
FROM REALMS BEYOND...

BEFORE I COULD  
REPAIR THEM,  
SOMETHING *BROKE*  
*THROUGH.*

A POWERFUL  
*DEMON* FROM  
ANOTHER  
REALM.









IF  
THIS "DEMON"  
SHOWS UP, DON'T  
DANCE AROUND IT.  
KILL IT BEFORE IT  
KILLS YOU.

HE'S  
TRYING  
TO SCARE  
ME.

NO,  
THAT  
WAS FOR  
REAL.

BUT  
WE'RE SAFE,  
RIGHT?

SAFE AS  
WE CAN BE,  
TAKEDA--

--SURROUNDED  
BY AN ARMY OF  
ASSASSINS.





TAKE  
IT.

THE  
FLESH IS  
A LIE.

THE  
BLOOD  
CODE IS  
TRUTH.







FOX?!

I'M  
SO SORRY,  
TAKEDA.

WHEN I  
SAID AN ARMY  
OF ASSASSINS  
WOULD KEEP  
US SAFE--



--I  
SPOKE TOO  
SOON.

NOW  
LET'S GO FIND  
**GRANDMASTER  
SCORPION...**

...AND  
SHOW HIM THAT  
YOU'RE NOT AFRAID  
OF **DEATH.**



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"THIS FAN...  
THIS MONSTER!"

